Attorney's Opinion as to Property Bought at Tax Sales.

to Its Ennetment-Complaint Regarding Sidewalks in Brookland.

Andrew B. Duvall, the Attorney for the District, has submitted to the Commissioners an opinion upon the application of M. B. Newman, requesting information concerning the payment of taxes on property purchased by him April 18, 1899, at tax sale. In his review of the case the Attorney says:

"It appears that he purchased lot 21 block 5 in the Trinidad sub-division, for the tax due for the year 1898, and thereafter under the provisions of section 4 of True Rationalist." He said in part: the act of Congress, 'in relation to taxes Section 4 is as follows:

In reporting upon the matter, the its sessor made this statement: "The law provides that property owners shall clean off dirt, sand, gravel, or other refuse matter and makes no prevision for the prevention of this autisance. It seems to me that it provides an indirect penalty in that upon failure to remove the cause of complaint the District is authorized to remove the dirt, etc., and charge the cost of the same to the abutting property owners.

"The District being under a duty to keep the pavements in a passable condition, it is recommended that the attention of the property owners."

"There isn't the slightest truth in that statement. The order has about 225 members in this city, and I have information which leads me to think that the affairs of the order and the security of the political hand small models of mail wagons completed to make any statement regarding the future of the order and the security of the politics held by its members in this city. SAN JLAN, Porto Rico, Dec. 8.—Official and society circles here are much perturbed over boxing matches that were made a feature of the Porto Rico Vacht Club. In which leads me to think that the affairs of the order after being straightened out, will show that every member and policy-line in this matter, and that as a close inspection will no doubt develop that it will be necessary to clean the pavements several to clean the pavements and leads mail models of mail wagons completed to the exhibit.

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necessary to clean the pavements several times during the coming winter, unless the property owners erect boards or etherwise prevent the dirt from washing upon the sidewalk, and recommending the advisability of the same, that the accumulation

bility of the same, that the accumulation of costs may be saved them."

Capt. Lansing H. Beach, the Engineer Commissioner, in passing upon the letter of Mr. Harbaugh intormed his associates that the excavation of the parking on this portion of the street mentioned has been ordered to be done by the chain gang in the parking of the street mentioned has been ordered to be done by the chain gang in the parking and the street mentioned has been ordered to be done by the chain gang in such manner as to lower the earth to side-walk grade. This Captain Beach believes will prevent the washing of dirt upon the sidewalk to a very large extent, and as the work is to be done at once he expressed the hope that the effect would be immediate.

The Commissioners have sent to the District committees of both houses of Congress the draft of a bill. "To amend an act to regulate gas works," approved June 23, 1874." The Commissioners state that the object of the bill is to make the working hours of the employes in the laboratory of the gas works the same as the hours of the officers and employes of the District Government. The Commissioners also state that they know no reason why this should not be done, as they believe that no public interest would suffer in consequence of this change, which is recommended by the Inspector of Gas and Meters, who is the lumediate superior of the employes in The Commissioners have sent to the Disnediate superior of the employes in

bill in question provides that sec-

The Commissioners have communicated with the Attorney General of the United States with reference to Senate bill 4712, entitled "A bill to confirm title to lots 3, 4, and 5, in square 979, in Washington, D. C., asking him for an expression of his views upon the same. In their letter, the Commissioners say:

Commissioners have the honor to transmit the papers to you, with the suggestion that a report from the United States District Attainey for the District of Columbia world better serve the Senate Committee in the premises, and they have so informed the chairman of that commit-

FATHER PARDOW'S SERMON.

His Subject Yesterday "The Catholic Church the Trae Rationalist." At St. Aloysius Church, yesterday morning, the Rev. Father Pardow continued his the day being "The Catholic Church the

"We often hear these words, 'Reason and tax sales, approved February 28, 1898, Stagnates at Rome. Because we Cathohe paid the tax on said lot for the year lics believ points of doctrine which are lics believ points of doctrine which are sacks, the whole illustrating in a perfect beyond recson it does not follow that manner the railway mail service. "That the owner or authorized agent of they are against reason. We must be training mail transportation on the sea.

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holder is fully protected."

Beyond this Mr. Callahan absolutely refused to talk on the subject. There are seven councils of the order in this city, but their respective officials are equally reticent about the matter and refer all enquirers to Mr. Callahan, who is the deputy supreme councillor and supreme trustices the secretary of the Interior, and the Deputy Callestor of Customs and the

of New England met in convention at Typographical Temple at 10 o'clock this

within one organization all of the textile workers' unloss to the country. The ent was first suggested by the Na-

ed.
At the request of the National Textile Workers' Union. Washington was ramed as the place to hold the first convention.

A short time after this a communication was received from the Secretary of the National Textile Workers' Union stating that washing the secretary to the stational transfer to the secretary of the National Textile Workers' Union stating that washing the secretary to The bill in question provides that section 3 of the act to regulate gas works, approved June 23, 1874, is hereby amended by substituting the words "nine o'clock in the forenoon and four o'clock in the forenoon. The combatants were Blanchard and McGuirk, both enlisted men in the army. It was a sluggle gathering now in progress here. This do affliate with the American Federation of Labor.

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Report of Inspector Brown to the Postmaster General.

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> Second Assistant Postmaster General Shallenberger has transmitted to the Postmaster General the report of W. A. Brown, Postoffice Inspector, in charge of the exhibit of the Postoffice Department at the Paris Exposition.

Inspector Brown notes the award of a grand prize for the seven models intendseries of special sermons, his subject for United States mail on land and water. These exhibits were as follows:

1. A model of a postal car, fully equipped with miniature distribution cases, mail bag racks, and mail pouches and

2. Mcdel of the steamship Paris illus-

made a feature of the Thanksgiving night

enquirers to Mr. Callahan, who is the dep-ty supreme councillor and supreme trus-tee of the order.

TEXTIDE WORKERS MEET.

dore is the Secretary of the Interior, and the Deputy Collector of Customs and the postmaster of San Juan are members.

On the invitation for the Thanksgiving night ball it was announced there would Southern Representatives of the Craft Fail to Appear.

About twenty five members from textile intermission was called. Members of the workers' unions located in various parts of New England met in convention at Typographical Temple at 10 o'clock this morning.

The object of the convention is to bring within one organization all of the textile workers' analyse at the convention of three workers' analyse at the convention of the convention at Typographical at the convention at Typographical temple at 10 o'clock this morning.

rounds, Queensberry rules, between Messrs. Johnson and Jaeger. In the first round Johnson landed on his opponent's tional Textile Workers' Union, which claimed to have a large membership in the South. Conferences to this end were held in Boston in September, 1899, and again in August and September, 1900, when a temporary organization was formed. Jaeger was hit in the eye. He staggered like a drunken man and for a time seemed on the verge of collapse.

"When blood was first drawn many ladies left the room, while others, it is said were on the point of swooning. "The second fight was more brutal than

Mis Soldier Son Will Not Be Shot on

Officials of the War Department have earched the records for the case of Leonard Skinner of the Forty-third Infantry, who was said to have been tried by ourt-martial in the Philippines and senenced to be shot on Christmas morning for sleeping at his post. According to the report the young man's father, who lives in Connecticut, is coming to Washington to appeal to the President to save the

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neer" Suspenders, all silk, in laven-der, pink. white, black, and # w many other colors—fancy boxes. 45 A beautiful Embroidered Sat-in Suspender, handsomely boxed. 25

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PAPERHANGERS .- You are notified to be

present at the next meeting of Paper-hangers L. A. No. 67, K. of L., DECEM-

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